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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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Method and Apparatus for Providing a Reliable Protocol for Transferring Data For:



Enclosed are also:

- Pages of Specification including an Abstract 31
- <u>X</u> 9 Pages of Claims
- <u>X</u> <u>X</u> Sheet(s) of Drawings 8
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

CLAIMS AS FILED

FOR	Number Filed		Numbe Extra	r	Rate		Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	38	-20 =	18	X	\$ 18	=	\$ 324.00
Independent Claims	8	-3 =	5	X	\$ 80	=	\$ 400.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	0			X	\$260	=	\$ 0.00
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